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LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL UPDATE

DEAR NEIGHBOR:

We all know that good local schools keep our neighborhoods desirable places to live, protecting everyone's property values including homeowners without kids in our schools.

While some of our local high schools have already been repaired and upgraded, I am working to ensure that all of our schools meet the needs of our students and teachers - including safe classrooms that are in good condition and have the up-to-date technology necessary to provide a quality education.



Educational priorities the community has identified so far include:

- Retaining and attracting quality teachers
- Upgrading school safety and security
- ➤ Ensuring safe drinking water for students
- ➤ Upgrading fire safety systems including safety doors, smoke alarms, smoke detectors ➤ Upgrading emergency communications systems
- Expanding science, engineering and computer labs



We will continue to keep the community informed about maintaining educational excellence and student success. For more information about continued needs, please read on.

Sincerely,

Dr. Edward Zuniga Superintendent

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ABOUT LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL NEEDS

Arroyo High School = El Monte High School = Mountain View High School = Rosemead High School South El Monte High School = Fernando R. Ledesma High School = El Monte-Rosemead Adult School

Q: Didn't the District already address some of these needs?

A: Yes. Some of our high schools have already been repaired and upgraded. But schools built several decades ago are in urgent need of basic repairs like fixing leaking roofs and decaying walls, broken plumbing and aging bathrooms, upgrading electrical systems and wiring for computer technology, and improving access for the disabled.



Q: Besides academic success, what is the top priority for our local high schools?

A: To make sure our local high school students and teachers are safe at school, it is more important than ever for our high schools to have safety and security protections in place, such as emergency communications systems, cameras, and door locks, as well as fire and earthquake safety systems.



Q: How do we help our students prepare for 21st century careers?

A: We want all students to have access to computers and instructional technology to promote science, technology, engineering and math skills, by fixing outdated electrical wiring and improving computer, science and engineering labs. These investments will ensure our students can effectively compete for 21st century careers.